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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Request for Continued Examination and Amendment for filing in the above-identified application.

- [] Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a Small Entity Statement previously submitted.
- [] A Small Entity Statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

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Petition for Extension of Time

[X] The undersigned attorney petitions the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for filing a Notice of Appeal in reply to the Office Action made Final dated December 23, 2005 for 3 months, from March 23, 2006 to June 23, 2006 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).

In lieu of filing a Notice of Appeal, Applicant's Attorney is filing a Request for Continued Examination concurrently herewith.

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